

# Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

## Officer Involved Shooting

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Report Date: 10/31/16		Bureau/Station/Facility: Court Services West Bureau		Admin. Invest.? <input type="checkbox"/> Hit? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Incident Information</b>					
URN: 016-00562-4468-013		Date: 10/31/16		Time: 1205	
City or Station: Chatsworth Court		Nature of Incident: Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian fatally shot the suspect as he assaulted his wife with a knife.			
Location: 9425 Penfield Avenue Chatsworth, CA 91311					
<b>Location Type (check one or more):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Backyard <input type="checkbox"/> Beach <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business <input type="checkbox"/> Freeway <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Parking Lot <input type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> School <input type="checkbox"/> Street Other:		<b>Lighting (check only one):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Darkness <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daylight <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Street Lights  <b>Weather (circle only one):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clear <input type="checkbox"/> Cloudy <input type="checkbox"/> Fog <input type="checkbox"/> Rain  Distance: 6 to 10 feet		<b>Incident Type (check one or more):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Accidental <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Armed Person <input type="checkbox"/> Fleeing Suspect <input type="checkbox"/> Foot Pursuit <input type="checkbox"/> Gun Take Away <input type="checkbox"/> Moving Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Sniper/Ambush <input type="checkbox"/> Startle <input type="checkbox"/> Struggle Involved <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Stop <input type="checkbox"/> Unarmed Person <input type="checkbox"/> Unintentional <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Pursuit <input type="checkbox"/> Warrant Service <input type="checkbox"/> Warning Shot Other:	
<b>Initiated by (check only one):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Arrest Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Call <input type="checkbox"/> Observation <input type="checkbox"/> One Person Unit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Two Person Unit  <b>Prior Activity (check only one):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Detective <input type="checkbox"/> Inmate Transport <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Routine Patrol  Aero Unit? <input type="checkbox"/> Canine Unit? <input type="checkbox"/>		Total # of Shots Fired by Deputy: 4		Total # of Shots Fired by Suspect: 0	
<b>Employee Witnesses</b>					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (check only one)	ShiftType (check only one)
	Tramontano	Angelo	P.	<input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (check only one)	ShiftType (check only one)
	Franklin	Dewayne	E.	<input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (check only one)	ShiftType (check only one)
	Ramirez	Maria	D.	<input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty
<b>Non-Employee Witnesses</b>					
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City		Zip Code	
Work Ph		Home Ph			
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City		Zip Code	
Work Ph		Home Ph			
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City		Zip Code	
Work Ph		Home Ph			
<b>Supervisors</b>					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	(check one or more):	
	Metcalf	Michael	C.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Witness to shooting <input type="checkbox"/> Present during shooting <input type="checkbox"/> Involved in shooting	
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	(check one or more):	
	Lecrivain	John	J.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Witness to shooting <input type="checkbox"/> Present during shooting <input type="checkbox"/> Involved in shooting	
<b>Watch Sergeant</b>					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.		
	N/A				
<b>Watch Commander</b>					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.		
	Adams	Jeff	C.		

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Involved Employee									
<b>E 1</b>	Employee #	Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
		Reantaso			Rizaldy		A.		
Sex: <b>M</b>		Race: <b>A</b>		Rank: <b>Deputy Sheriff</b>		Unit Assignment: <b>Chatsworth Court</b>		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): <b>On-site Supervisor</b>	
ShiftTime (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day		ShiftType (circle only one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty		Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>		Substance Used:			
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/>		Hospital Name:		Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #		Interviewed? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting: <b>6 to 7</b>		Duty Time (hrs):		Clothing (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Plain Clothes no Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Raid Jacket w/ Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Plain Clothes w/ Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Uniform no Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Raid Jacket no Vest <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Uniform w/ Vest		Other Factors:			
Age: <b>507</b>		Height: <b>165</b>		Weight: <b>165</b>					
Range Qualification Date:		PPC Qualification Date:		Laser Training Date:					
Certified with Weapon Used? <input type="checkbox"/>		Patrol Certification? <input type="checkbox"/>		Certification Unit:		Prior Shootings? <input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Prior Shootings: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Weapons Fired Brand: <b>Smith &amp; Wesson</b>		Caliber: <b>9MM</b>		# Shots: <b>3</b>		Weapons Fired Brand:		Caliber: <b># Shots</b>	
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name		First Name		M.I.			
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name		First Name		M.I.			
<b>E 2</b>	Employee #	Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
		Fabian			Gerardo				
Sex: <b>M</b>		Race: <b>H</b>		Rank: <b>Security Officer</b>		Unit Assignment: <b>Chatsworth Court</b>		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): <b>Weapons Screening</b>	
ShiftTime (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day		ShiftType (circle only one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty		Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>		Substance Used:			
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/>		Hospital Name:		Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #		Interviewed? <input type="checkbox"/>	
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting: <b>8</b>		Duty Time (hrs):		Clothing (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Plain Clothes no Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Raid Jacket w/ Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Plain Clothes w/ Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Uniform no Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Raid Jacket no Vest <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Uniform w/ Vest		Other Factors:			
Age: <b>511</b>		Height: <b>315</b>		Weight: <b>315</b>					
Range Qualification Date:		PPC Qualification Date:		Laser Training Date:					
Certified with Weapon Used? <input type="checkbox"/>		Patrol Certification? <input type="checkbox"/>		Certification Unit:		Prior Shootings? <input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Prior Shootings: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Weapons Fired Brand: <b>Smith &amp; Wesson</b>		Caliber: <b>9MM</b>		# Shots: <b>1</b>		Weapons Fired Brand:		Caliber: <b># Shots</b>	
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name		First Name		M.I.			
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name		First Name		M.I.			
<b>E</b>	Employee #	Last Name			First Name		M.I.		
Sex:		Race:		Rank:		Unit Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):	
ShiftTime (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input type="checkbox"/> Day		ShiftType (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty		Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>		Substance Used:			
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/>		Hospital Name:		Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #		Interviewed? <input type="checkbox"/>	
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:		Duty Time (hrs):		Clothing (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Plain Clothes no Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Raid Jacket w/ Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Plain Clothes w/ Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Uniform no Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Raid Jacket no Vest <input type="checkbox"/> Uniform w/ Vest		Other Factors:			
Age:		Height:		Weight:					
Range Qualification Date:		PPC Qualification Date:		Laser Training Date:					
Certified with Weapon Used? <input type="checkbox"/>		Patrol Certification? <input type="checkbox"/>		Certification Unit:		Prior Shootings? <input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Prior Shootings: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Weapons Fired Brand:		Caliber:		# Shots:		Weapons Fired Brand:		Caliber: <b># Shots</b>	
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name		First Name		M.I.			
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name		First Name		M.I.			

# SUPPLEMENTAL EMPLOYEE WITNESSES

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Employee Witnesses			
Last Name	Escalante	First Name	Hannah
			M.I. R.
Street Address	9425 Penfield Avenue, Chatsworth CA	Zip Code	91311
		Work Ph	818-576-8777
		Home Ph	
Last Name	Clark	First Name	Davy
			M.I. T.
Street Address	9425 Penfield Avenue, Chatsworth CA	Zip Code	91311
		Work Ph	818-576-8777
		Home Ph	
Last Name	Gossett	First Name	Gregg
			M.I. G.
Street Address	9425 Penfield Avenue, Chatsworth CA	Zip Code	91311
		Work Ph	818-576-8777
		Home Ph	
Last Name	Smith	First Name	James
			M.I. O.
Street Address	9425 Penfield Avenue, Chatsworth CA	Zip Code	91311
		Work Ph	818-576-8777
		Home Ph	
Last Name	Metcalf	First Name	Michael
			M.I. C.
Street Address	9425 Penfield Avenue, Chatsworth CA	Zip Code	91311
		Work Ph	818-576-8777
		Home Ph	
Last Name	Lecrivain	First Name	John
			M.I. J.
Street Address	4850 Civic Center Way, Los Angeles CA	Zip Code	90022
		Work Ph	323-981-5300
		Home Ph	
Last Name		First Name	
			M.I.
Street Address	9425 Penfield Avenue, Chatsworth CA	Zip Code	91311
		Work Ph	818-576-8777
		Home Ph	
Last Name		First Name	
			M.I.
Street Address		Zip Code	
		Work Ph	
		Home Ph	
Last Name		First Name	
			M.I.
Street Address		Zip Code	
		Work Ph	
		Home Ph	
Last Name		First Name	
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Last Name		First Name	
			M.I.
Street Address		Zip Code	
		Work Ph	
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### Non-Employee Witnesses

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Suspect Information																		
S 1	Last Name			Cueva			First Name			Jose			M.I.			A.		
	AKA Last Name						First Name						M.I.					
	Sex: M		Race: H		Street Address:			City:			State:			Zip Code:				
	Work Phone:			Home Phone:			Social Security #:			Driver's License #:								
	Age: 55			D.O.B. 05/27/61			Height: 505			Weight: 180			FBI #			N/A		
	Booking #			Primary Charge:			Secondary Charge:											
	Coroner Case? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Coroner Case # 2016-07893			Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>			Substance Used:								
	Armed? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Apprehended? <input type="checkbox"/>			Mental Illness? <input type="checkbox"/>			Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/>								
	Vehicle Make Nissan			Model: Rogue			Year: 2008			Parole: <input type="checkbox"/>			Probation: <input type="checkbox"/>			Prior Felony Conviction: <input type="checkbox"/>		
	S	Last Name						First Name						M.I.				
AKA Last Name						First Name						M.I.						
Sex:		Race:		Street Address:			City:			State & Zip Code:								
Work Phone:			Home Phone:			Social Security #:			Driver's License #:									
Age: D.O.B.			Height: Weight:			FBI #			CII #									
Booking #			Primary Charge:			Secondary Charge:												
Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>			Coroner Case #			Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>			Substance Used:									
Armed? <input type="checkbox"/>			Apprehended? <input type="checkbox"/>			Mental Illness? <input type="checkbox"/>			Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/>									
Vehicle Make			Model:			Year:			Parole:			Probation:			Prior Felony Conviction:			
S		Last Name						First Name						M.I.				
	AKA Last Name						First Name						M.I.					
	Sex:		Race:		Street Address:			City:			State & Zip Code:							
	Work Phone:			Home Phone:			Social Security #:			Driver's License #:								
	Age: D.O.B.			Height: Weight:			FBI #			CII #								
	Booking #			Primary Charge:			Secondary Charge:											
	Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>			Coroner Case #			Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>			Substance Used:								
	Armed? <input type="checkbox"/>			Apprehended? <input type="checkbox"/>			Mental Illness? <input type="checkbox"/>			Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/>								
	Vehicle Make			Model:			Year:			Parole:			Probation:			Prior Felony Conviction:		
	S	Last Name						First Name						M.I.				
AKA Last Name						First Name						M.I.						
Sex:		Race:		Street Address:			City:			State & Zip Code:								
Work Phone:			Home Phone:			Social Security #:			Driver's License #:									
Age: D.O.B.			Height: Weight:			FBI #			CII #									
Booking #			Primary Charge:			Secondary Charge:												
Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>			Coroner Case #			Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>			Substance Used:									
Armed? <input type="checkbox"/>			Apprehended? <input type="checkbox"/>			Mental Illness? <input type="checkbox"/>			Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/>									
Vehicle Make			Model:			Year:			Parole:			Probation:			Prior Felony Conviction:			

## INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU

### INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

**INCIDENT:** Hit-Shooting, Control Holds, Suspect Deceased

**IAB FILE NUMBER:** SH 2415580 / FO 2481860

**URN:** 016-00562-4468-013

**DATE/TIME:** October 31, 2016 / approximately 1205 hours

**LOCATION:** 9425 Penfield Avenue  
Chatsworth, CA 91311

#### SYNOPSIS

On Monday, October 31, 2016, Internal Affairs Bureau Lieutenant David Grall, and Sergeants Anthony Easter, and Paul Valle responded to Chatsworth Courthouse regarding an on-duty deputy involved hit-shooting incident. IAB investigators learned Deputy Rizaldy Reantaso and Security Officer Gerardo Fabian fatally shot Jose Cueva (Suspect Cueva) as he attempted to stab his [REDACTED] (Victim [REDACTED]).

IAB Sergeant Easter learned the on-duty district lieutenant, Lieutenant Jeff Adams, took reasonable steps to ensure the involved and witness personnel did not discuss the incident among themselves, or with uninvolved persons, prior to being interviewed by the assigned investigators. Additionally, the involved and witness personnel did not collectively consult with their attorneys or union representatives. IAB Sergeant Easter learned the involved and witness personnel were gathered in the company of a supervisor until they provided their statements to the assigned investigators.

Detectives Eddie Brown and Antoinette Martinez from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau arrived and assumed control of the investigation. For further information, refer to the Homicide Bureau Investigation Book, under URN #016-00562-4468-013 [EXHIBIT A].

On June 29, 2018, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office reviewed the facts of this case and determined Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian acted reasonably and lawfully in defense of others [EXHIBIT B].

#### SUMMARY

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1205 hours, Victim [REDACTED] met with Suspect Cueva at the Chatsworth Courthouse to discuss the details of their recent [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva drove

separate vehicles and met on Penrose Avenue, south of the courthouse. After a brief conversation, Suspect Cueva entered Victim [REDACTED]'s vehicle and she drove toward the entrance of the courthouse parking lot.

Victim [REDACTED] drove to the parking toll booth while Suspect Cueva was seated in the front passenger seat. Suspect Cueva retrieved a concealed large kitchen knife from his right side and pulled it out (NFD). Witness [REDACTED] the [REDACTED] noticed Victim [REDACTED] was crying and asked if she was okay. Victim [REDACTED] told Witness [REDACTED] she needed help and asked him to call the police because Suspect Cueva had a knife and was going to kill her. Suspect Cueva grabbed Victim [REDACTED] by the hair and placed the knife against her throat. A struggle ensued between Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva as they were inside the vehicle.

Witness [REDACTED] exited the [REDACTED] and attempted to help Victim [REDACTED] as Suspect Cueva repeatedly stabbed Victim [REDACTED] on the side of her body. Witness [REDACTED] opened the driver side door and attempted to help Victim [REDACTED] exit the vehicle, but she was restrained by the seatbelt. In an attempt to summon help, Witness [REDACTED] ran away from the vehicle and screamed for someone to call deputy personnel. Nearby witnesses, who were in front of the courthouse, entered the building and advised personnel at the weapons screening area that someone needed help outside.

Witness [REDACTED] returned to the vehicle and continued to assist Victim [REDACTED] as she struggled with Suspect Cueva. Victim [REDACTED] was able to remove the seatbelt, exit the vehicle, and run toward the front of the courthouse. Suspect Cueva immediately exited the vehicle and ran after Victim [REDACTED] while holding the knife in his right hand.

Security Officer Fabian and Deputy Reantaso were in front of the courthouse and observed the brief struggle prior to Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva exiting the vehicle. As Victim [REDACTED] ran toward the front of the courthouse, Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian ordered Suspect Cueva several times to drop the knife. Suspect Cueva did not comply and continued to close the distance behind Victim [REDACTED].

Suspect Cueva caught up to Victim [REDACTED] in the courtyard area of the courthouse. Suspect Cueva wrapped his left arm around Victim [REDACTED]'s neck and stabbed her while holding the knife in his right hand. Believing Suspect Cueva was going to kill Victim [REDACTED] if he did not take action, Deputy Reantaso fired one shot from his duty weapon, striking Suspect Cueva. Suspect Cueva continued to assault Victim [REDACTED] as they ran forward. Deputy Reantaso had a better view of Suspect Cueva and fired two additional shots from his duty weapon at Suspect Cueva, striking him. Victim [REDACTED] was able to free herself from Suspect Cueva and created a small gap between them, but Suspect Cueva continued to stab Victim [REDACTED]. Security Officer Fabian stood in front of Suspect Cueva and fired one shot from his duty weapon, striking suspect Cueva.



Suspect Cueva dropped the knife and fell on the ground, as Victim [REDACTED] also fell down. Victim [REDACTED] crawled away from Suspect Cueva and was assisted by Deputy Escalante who arrived at the scene. Suspect Cueva moved his body and attempted to reach for the knife that was on his left side. Deputy Clark arrived and kicked the knife away from Suspect Cueva to prevent him from arming himself.

Deputy [REDACTED] arrived at the scene and attempted to prevent Suspect Cueva from reaching for the knife. Deputy [REDACTED] used his body weight to hold Suspect Cueva on the ground. Suspect Cueva resisted Deputy [REDACTED] as he placed Suspect Cueva's arms behind his back in an attempt to handcuff him. Deputy Ramirez was standing next to Suspect Cueva and assisted Deputy [REDACTED] in handcuffing him. Suspect Cueva did not resist Deputy Ramirez during her assistance. While Suspect Cueva was being handcuffed, Deputy Reantaso kicked the knife further away from Suspect Cueva.

Sergeant Metcalf and Lieutenant Lecrivain arrived and controlled the scene. Lieutenant Lecrivain initiated radio traffic and requested paramedics and additional resources. Deputy personnel rendered aid to Victim [REDACTED] and monitored Suspect Cueva until the arrival of Los Angeles City Fire Department. Paramedics subsequently provided medical attention to Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva, prior to transporting them to Northridge Hospital Medical Center via ambulance. Suspect Cueva was pronounced dead at 1241 hours by Doctor Kokkolera.

**IAB NOTE:** Paramedics arrived at the scene approximately nine minutes after the shooting.

#### **RADIO TRAFFIC - SHERIFF'S COMMUNICATION CENTER (SCC) ACCESS CHANNEL**

Chatsworth Courthouse personnel used the SCC access channel to initiate emergent radio traffic immediately following the deputy-involved shooting. SCC access channel and L-TAC channel radio traffic were obtained from Sheriff's Communication Center, and placed on a compact disc [EXHIBIT C, folder 1]. The following is a summary of the radio traffic:

<b>Actual time</b>	<b>Audio Mark</b>	<b>Description</b>
1212	08:06	J284L said, "10-33"
	08:08	SCC replied, "Unit with emergent."
	08:10	J284L said, "10-33"
	08:12	SCC replied, "10-33, go."
	08:15	SCC again said, "10-33, go."

	08:17	J284L said, "This is Chatsworth court" and identified as 284L, but then correctly identified himself as J284L. J284L advised they had "shots fired in front of the courthouse," and requested LAPD to respond.
	08:31	SCC replied, "10-4, in front of the courthouse. Which courthouse?"
	08:35	J284L readvised Chatsworth court and provided the address. J284L also requested 902R for one suspect down.
	08:44	SCC acknowledged information and was going to check the availability of Lost Hills Station units for a response.
	08:50	J284L stated only LAPD was needed and Lost Hills units were too far away.
	09:06	SCC asked gender and approximate age of suspect.
	09:22	SCC advised they contacted LAPD and "L.A.City Rescue."
	09:25	J284L advised "L.A.City Fire" response was also needed for a stabbing victim.
	09:33	SCC acknowledged there was a stabbing victim and asked for additional information.
	11:13	J284L advised SCC that one LAPD unit was Code 6.
1216	12:04	SCC asked J284L if it was safe for the fire department to respond in front of the courthouse.
	12:24	J284L advised it was clear for the fire department to respond and the scene was Code 4.
1227	17:34	SCC asked J284L to confirm 902R and LAPD were at the scene, and if he needed anything else.
	17:40	J284L advised nothing else was needed and they were Code 4.

17:45

SCC acknowledged Code 4 status and cleared the frequency channel.

**IAB NOTE:** Chatsworth Courthouse personnel used the MCJ radio channel the day of the incident to initiate radio traffic; however, the radio traffic was not recorded and unavailable for review.

**IAB NOTE:** A review of the L-TAC radio traffic did not produce any relevant information related to the incident.

## **VIDEO**

Homicide Bureau investigators obtained video surveillance footage [EXHIBIT C, folder 2] that captured the incident. The following timeline depicts the events captured by the surveillance camera. There was no audio recorded from the footage.

**IAB NOTE:** Several bystanders were in front of the courthouse as they appeared to focus their attention east, toward the parking lot.

<b>VIDEO TIME</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
12:21:30	Several bystanders in front of the courthouse appear to take notice of the incident. The bystanders gather as they look east, the area where the parking booth was located.
12:21:50	A male wearing a burgandy shirt ran east, out of view of the camera
12:22:00	The camera panned and zoomed in toward the front entrance doors of the courthouse.
12:22:10	Security Officer Fabian exited the courthouse and walked south, as he looked east.
12:22:24	A male wearing a burgundy shirt ran north through the courtyard.
12:22:26	Security Officer Fabian drew his weapon and pointed it east. Deputy Reantaso responded and took a position to the north. The view of Deputy Reantaso was partially obstructed by a tree in a planter.
12:22:27	Suspect Cueva entered the camera angle as he ran west toward the courthouse and confronted by Security Officer Fabian at gunpoint.
12:22:28	Suspect Cueva appeared to have a knife in his right hand.

12:22:29 Deputy Reantaso stepped forward as he pointed his weapon at Suspect Cueva. Security Officer Fabian repositioned himself to the south, and out of view, as Suspect Cueva ran in his direction.

12:22:30 Suspect Cueva appeared to have a knife in his right hand as he wrapped his left arm around Victim [REDACTED]'s neck.

12:22:31 Suspect Cueva ran past Security Officer Fabian as Suspect Cueva maintained his left arm wrapped around Victim [REDACTED]'s neck.

12:22:32 Security Officer Fabian and Deputy Reantaso pointed their weapons at Suspect Cueva. They are in a triangular position. Deputy Reantaso is standing to the north and Security Officer Fabian is standing to the south. Suspect Cueva is standing to the west. Victim [REDACTED] had her back toward Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian.

12:22:33 Victim [REDACTED] fell on the ground along with Suspect Cueva.

12:22:35 Suspect Cueva was on his back and rolled to his left side with his right arm extended.

12:22:36 Security Officer Fabian stepped toward Suspect Cueva with his firearm pointed at him. Suspect Cueva stopped his forward movement and rested his back on the ground.

12:22:37 Victim [REDACTED] was in a seated position, next to Suspect Cueva.

12:22:40 Deputy Reantaso assisted Victim [REDACTED] in standing and escorted her away from the scene. Security Officer Fabian continued to detain Suspect Cueva at gunpoint.

12:22:45 Deputy Clark exited the courthouse and took cover behind a pillar.

12:23:00 Deputy Clark approached the suspect and appeared to kick the knife away from Suspect Cueva. Deputies [REDACTED] and Smith stood north of Suspect Cueva with their firearms drawn.

12:23:19 Suspect Cueva rolled onto his left side. Deputy [REDACTED] approached him from the north, but backed away when Suspect Cueva extended his arm toward him.

12:23:35 Suspect Cueva continued to move on the ground and was approached by Deputies [REDACTED] and Ramirez.

12:23:55 Deputies [REDACTED] and Ramirez rolled Suspect Cueva onto his stomach. He was patted down for weapons by Deputy Ramirez.

12:24:20 Deputy Ramirez assisted Deputy [REDACTED] in handcuffing Suspect Cueva behind his back.

12:31:10 Fire Department personnel arrived to treat Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED]

### **DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LETTER OF OPINION**

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office reviewed the shooting of Suspect Cueva by Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian. In their letter of opinion [EXHIBIT B], dated June 29, 2018, Deputy District Attorney Shannon Presby concluded Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian used reasonable force against Suspect Cueva as he attempted to stab Victim [REDACTED]

### **INVOLVED EMPLOYEES AND WORK HISTORY**

**Rizaldy Reantaso**, Deputy Sheriff, # [REDACTED]  
Court Services Division  
Chatsworth Court

#### **Work History**

Date of Employment:	May 11, 2000
Date Assigned to Chatsworth Court:	June 7, 2015
Date Completed Patrol Training:	[REDACTED]
Prior Shooting Incident(s):	[REDACTED]
Prior Founded Force Incident(s):	[REDACTED]

#### **Equipment Worn**

On October 31, 2016, Deputy Reantaso was wearing his "Class A" uniform with a protective vest, and a Sam Browne duty belt. The equipment worn on his duty belt included his Smith & Wesson M&P 9mm firearm, five loaded magazines, two handcuff cases with handcuffs, oleoresin capsicum(OC) spray, expandable baton, handheld radio, taser, flashlight, and a key holder.



**Gerardo Fabian**, Security Officer, # [REDACTED]  
Court Services Division  
Chatsworth Court

**Work History**

Date of Employment: November 5, 2015  
Date Assigned to Chatsworth Court: October 16, 2016  
Date Completed Patrol Training: [REDACTED]  
Prior Shooting Incident(s): [REDACTED]  
Prior Founded Force Incident(s): [REDACTED]

**Equipment Worn**

On October 31, 2016, Security Officer Fabian was wearing his "Class A" uniform with a protective vest, and a Sam Browne duty belt. The equipment worn on his duty belt included his Smith & Wesson M&P 9mm firearm, two loaded magazines, two handcuff cases with handcuffs, oleoresin capsicum(OC) spray, expandable baton, handheld radio, flashlight, and a key holder.

[REDACTED] Deputy Sheriff # [REDACTED]  
Court Services Division  
Chatsworth Court

**Work History**

Date of Employment: July 19, 1989  
Date Assigned to Chatsworth Court: [REDACTED] March 27, 2015; [REDACTED]  
Date Completed Patrol Training: [REDACTED]  
Prior Shooting Incident(s): [REDACTED]  
Prior Founded Force Incident(s): [REDACTED]

**Equipment Worn**

On October 31, 2016, Deputy [REDACTED] was wearing his "Class A" uniform with a Sam Browne duty belt. The equipment worn on his duty belt included his Beretta 92F 9mm firearm, two loaded magazines, oleoresin capsicum(OC) spray, handheld radio, baton ring, knife, and a key holder.

**SUSPECT INFORMATION**

**Jose Armando Cueva**  
Male, Hispanic, DOB: May 27, 1961; 5'05"; 180 pounds  
[REDACTED]  
FBI # [REDACTED]

**IAB NOTE:** A copy of Suspect Cueva's criminal history is included in the Homicide Bureau Investigation Book [EXHIBIT A, pages 69-95].

### **SUSPECT'S INJURIES**

Suspect Cueva sustained three gunshot wounds and succumbed as a result [EXHIBIT A, pages 119-121, and 123-127].

### **DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL INJURIES**

None.

### **PHYSICAL EVIDENCE**

All physical evidence was located and collected by Homicide Bureau Detectives Antoinette Martinez and Eddie Brown, with the assistance of Detectives Frederick Morse and David Gunner. The Homicide Bureau detectives were also assisted by Forensic Identification Specialist Terri Beatty, # [REDACTED] and Deputy Jeff Collins, # [REDACTED] from the Sheriff's Scientific Services Bureau. Suspect Cueva's clothing and wallet were obtained by Deputy Davy Clark, # [REDACTED] at Northridge Hospital Medical Center. For descriptions of the collected evidence and where it was located, see Homicide Bureau Investigation Book [EXHIBIT A, pages 60-65].

### **INVESTIGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS**

Nearly two hours transpired from the shooting to IAB investigators observations. The scene is described in detail by Homicide Bureau Detectives Antoinette Martinez and Eddie Brown [EXHIBIT A, pages 60-65]. Their description of the scene was consistent with IAB investigator's observations. The crime scene was also photographed by the Sheriff's Scientific Services Bureau personnel. All digital photographs were placed on a compact disc [EXHIBIT C, folder 3].

### **WEAPONS USED BY DEPUTY RIZALDY REANTASO AND SECURITY OFFICER GERARDO FABIAN**

Deputy Reantaso fired three rounds of Department issued 9mm ammunition from his Department issued Smith & Wesson, M&P, semiautomatic pistol. The firearm was examined by Senior Criminalist Phil Teramoto of the Scientific Services Bureau - Firearms Identification Section and found to be functional [EXHIBIT A, pages 116-118].

Date last qualified:

Date last trained with firearm:

Security Officer Gerardo Fabian fired one round of Department issued 9mm ammunition from his Department issued Smith & Wesson, M&P, semiautomatic pistol. The firearm

was examined by Senior Criminalist Phil Teramoto of the Scientific Services Bureau - Firearms Identification Section and found to be functional [EXHIBIT A, pages 116-118].

Date last qualified:

Date last trained with firearm:



#### **WEAPONS USED BY SUSPECT JOSE CUEVA**

12 inch knife.

#### **PROPERTY DAMAGE BY SUSPECT JOSE CUEVA**

None.

#### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS AND CHARGES FILED**

The criminal investigation into the shooting was handled by Homicide Bureau Detectives Antoinette Martinez and Eddie Brown of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau. No charges were filed.

#### **LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS**

The scene was the area outside the front entrance to Chatsworth Courthouse. The incident occurred during daytime hours while the weather was sunny and clear.

#### **EMPLOYEE WITNESSES**

##### **Security Assistant Angelo Tramontano**

On April 24, 2019, at approximately 1217 hours, IAB Sergeant Christopher Minott interviewed Security Assistant Tramontano via a recorded telephonic interview. Security Assistant Tramontano, was on an approved leave at the time of the interview. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, Security Assistant Tramontano was assigned to Building Control., where he monitored the security cameras of the courthouse. At approximately 1200 hours, he received a frantic telephone call from a male (later identified as Witness [REDACTED]) who was yelling loud in Spanish. Due to a language barrier, Security Assistant Tramontano did not understand what Witness [REDACTED] said. Believing Witness [REDACTED] was in need of help, Security Assistant Tramontano yelled that somebody outside was yelling on the telephone, and sounded like they were outside. Deputy Reantaso's office was adjacent to his office, and believed Deputy Reantaso may have heard him. Deputy Reantaso immediately responded outside the courthouse.

Security Assistant Tramontano turned his attention to the cameras and monitored the activity in front of the courthouse. While viewing the surveillance cameras, he saw a male (Suspect Cueva) chasing a female (Victim [REDACTED]) as she ran toward the front of the courthouse. Security Assistant Tramontano saw Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian pointed their guns at Suspect Cueva. The room Security Assistant Tramontano was in at the time, does not have direct access to the lobby. He did not hear any shots fired, or any commands that may have been given to Suspect Cueva, but subsequently saw him on the ground. Security Assistant Tramontano did not recall if he heard radio traffic advising a deputy involved shooting occurred, but called 9-1-1, and requested the response from the fire department.

**IAB NOTE:** Security Assistant Tramontano was the only person operating the surveillance cameras at the time. He did not have a direct view of the incident from Building Control.

Security Assistant Tramontano provided a copy of the surveillance footage that captured the incident to Homicide Bureau detectives, and wrote a supplemental report.

**IAB NOTE:** IAB investigators were unable to locate a copy of Security Assistant Tramontano's supplemental report. On April 24, 2019, Intermediate Typist Clerk Christie Karunungan searched the archives of documents stored at Chatsworth Courthouse. She was also unable to locate a copy of the supplemental report.

### **Security Officer Dewayne Franklin**

On April 23, 2019, at approximately 1005 hours, IAB Sergeant Christopher Minott interviewed Security Officer Franklin at Van Nuys Courthouse. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, Security Officer Franklin was near the front entrance to the courthouse. He was working the weapons screening area when he saw a group of attorneys exit the building. One of the attorneys returned inside and advised there was a possible altercation at the parking entrance. Security Officer Franklin initiated radio traffic, advising the [REDACTED] may have been involved in an altercation by the parking entrance.

From where Security Officer Franklin stood (approximately 40 yards away), he saw the [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]) was standing near a black vehicle, talking to the driver. Approximately 45 seconds later, the same attorney came back inside and again requested for someone to respond to where the [REDACTED] was. Security Officer Franklin remained inside and saw the black vehicle's door was open, and Witness [REDACTED] had his upper torso inside the vehicle. Security Officer Franklin relayed the information via his radio. A female (Victim [REDACTED]) exited the vehicle through the

passenger's side and ran toward the front of the courthouse. She was immediately followed by a male (Suspect Cueva) who exited through the passenger side door.

As they approached the front entrance doors, Suspect Cueva caught up to Victim [REDACTED] from behind and appeared to punch Victim [REDACTED] in the stomach with his right hand. Security Officer Franklin did not see a weapon in Suspect Cueva's hand as he assaulted Victim [REDACTED], nor could he tell if Victim [REDACTED] had any injuries. Victim [REDACTED] appeared to be in pain and screamed for help. Deputy Reantaso exited his office, directly behind the weapons screening area, and responded outside.

Prior to Deputy Reantaso's arrival, Security Officer Fabian exited the building through the north front entrance doors and assessed the situation, as Suspect Cueva caught up to Victim [REDACTED]. Security Officer Franklin's view was partially obstructed by an outer pillar, and was unable to see if Security Officer Fabian drew his weapon.

Security Officer Franklin focused his attention on Deputy Reantaso as he (Deputy Reantaso) arrived outside, and noticed Victim [REDACTED] got away from Suspect Cueva. Victim [REDACTED] was approximately three feet away as she crawled away toward the door where Deputy Reantaso stood. Deputy Reantaso was approximately 12 feet away, southeast from where Suspect Cueva was. Deputy Reantaso drew his gun, pointed it at Suspect Cueva, and ordered him to drop the weapon. Suspect Cueva appeared incoherent as he ignored the orders, and focused his attention on Victim [REDACTED]. As Suspect Cueva took steps towards Victim [REDACTED], Deputy Reantaso ordered him to drop the weapon at least "two or three times" before firing two shots (refer to **Security Officer Franklin's IAB interview transcript, page 11**).

Suspect Cueva dropped the knife as he fell forward and on the ground, on his stomach. Suspect Cueva grabbed the knife and attempted to stand as he was focused on Victim [REDACTED]. Deputy Reantaso again ordered Suspect Cueva to drop the weapon and fired a third shot, causing Suspect Cueva to fall on the ground, on his back.

**IAB NOTE:** Security Officer Franklin did not see if Security Officer Fabian fired his weapon during the incident.

Deputy Ramirez and an unknown male deputy exited the building and rolled Suspect Cueva on his side, preventing him from getting up. Security Officer Franklin prevented people who were in the lobby from exiting, and did not recall if Suspect Cueva was handcuffed. He was later instructed by a supervisor to assist in securing the crime scene.

After the incident, Security Officer Franklin retrieved a first aid kit from an information desk, behind the weapons screening area. He provided the first aid kit to Deputy Smith. Paramedics arrived and placed Suspect Cueva in the ambulance. Security Officer Franklin did not see what happened to Victim [REDACTED] after paramedics arrived.



## **Deputy Maria Ramirez**

Deputy Ramirez retired from the Department on February 16, 2018. The following is a summary of the information from her supplemental report [EXHIBIT A, page 8].

While working inside Chatsworth Courthouse, Deputy Ramirez heard a male yell "shots fired 417" from the front of the control booth as several deputies were responding toward the front entrance of the courthouse. Deputy Ramirez immediately responded to the front entrance and saw Suspect Cueva on his back with his hands out.

Deputy Ramirez noticed there was a kitchen knife approximately four feet away from Suspect Cueva as he attempted to get up. Deputy [REDACTED] ran up to Suspect Cueva and grabbed both wrists in an attempt to control him. Simultaneously, Deputy Reantaso kicked the kitchen knife away from Suspect Cueva. Deputy Ramirez assisted Deputy [REDACTED] by approaching Suspect Cueva and doing a quick pat down search for weapons. Deputy Ramirez grabbed Suspect Cueva's right hand and handcuffed it. She then placed Suspect Cueva's right hand behind his back and was able to handcuff his left hand. Along with Deputy [REDACTED] they placed Suspect Cueva on his left side, as she did an additional pat down search for weapons.

Los Angeles City Fire Department, Engine 107, personnel responded to the scene. They subsequently transported Suspect Cueva to Northridge Hospital Medical Center.

On April 12, 2019, at approximately 1055 hours, I conducted a telephonic interview of Deputy Ramirez. Deputy Ramirez did not want the interview to be recorded, and I took detailed notes of her statement. The following is a summary of my interview with Deputy Ramirez:

Deputy Ramirez said she did not know who yelled out "shots fired 417" prior to her response to the front of the courthouse. Deputy Ramirez did not recall many details of the incident. She added that while assisting Deputy [REDACTED] in handcuffing Suspect Cueva, she felt Suspect Cueva's arms were "stiff," but did not resist her effort in handcuffing him. Deputy Ramirez believed Suspect Cueva's arms were "stiff" as a reaction of having been shot. Deputy Ramirez did not provide additional relevant information regarding the incident.

**IAB NOTE:** 417 is Sheriff's Department radio code for a person with a gun.

## **Deputy Hannah Escalante**

On April 16, 2019, at approximately 1151 hours, IAB Sergeant Luan Dang interviewed Deputy Escalante at the Antelope Valley Courthouse. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, Deputy Escalante was sitting at her desk when she heard radio traffic on the Men's Central Jail frequency, advising that a "417" incident occurred at the main entrance of the courthouse, by the parking lot (refer to **Deputy Escalante's IAB interview transcript, page 3**).

Deputy Escalante immediately responded to the front of the courthouse. Deputy Escalante did not hear any gunshots prior to exiting the building through the front doors. When she exited, Deputy Escalante saw Deputy Reantaso detaining Suspect Cueva at gunpoint as he gave Suspect Cueva commands to not move. Suspect Cueva was laying on the ground, on his back, approximately 10 feet away from Deputy Reantaso. Suspect Cueva was approximately 15 feet away from the front door. His feet were positioned closer to the door. At the time, Deputy Escalante did not see a weapon, nor did she see injuries to Suspect Cueva.

Deputy Escalante took cover behind a pillar and assessed the situation for approximately one minute. As she stood behind the pillar, Deputy Escalante heard people say Suspect Cueva was shot. Deputy Escalante saw Suspect Cueva moving his arms and legs as he attempted to reach for the knife, which was approximately a foot away from Suspect Cueva.

After assessing the situation, and believing Suspect Cueva was the only threat, Deputy Escalante approached a female (Victim [REDACTED] wearing jeans and a light colored purple tank top. Deputy Escalante escorted Victim [REDACTED] to a safe area behind a pillar, near the front entrance doors of the courthouse. Victim [REDACTED] appeared to be in shock and was bleeding from her chest, hands, and side. Victim [REDACTED] also appeared to need assistance standing. Deputy Escalante assisted her by placing her arms underneath Victim [REDACTED] arms as they walked.

Deputy Escalante yelled to Deputy Clark and a security officer to bring her gloves, gauze, or any trauma kit. Deputy Escalante felt sufficient personnel were at the scene to deal with Suspect Cueva. Deputy Escalante saw Lieutenant Lecrivain initiate radio traffic on the SCC access channel, but she did not know what he advised. She applied pressure to Victim [REDACTED] injuries until the arrival of the fire department. After fire department personnel arrived, they transported Suspect Cueva to the hospital prior to transporting Victim [REDACTED]

Deputy Escalante was aware, but did not see when Suspect Cueva was handcuffed.

#### **Deputy Davy Clark**

On April 18, 2019, at approximately 112 hours, IAB Sergeant Christopher Minott interviewed Deputy Clark at Chatsworth Courthouse. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Deputy Clark was inside the Sheriff's office of Chatsworth Courthouse when he heard radio traffic advising there was a possible disturbance outside. As he was responding to the front door, through the lobby, he heard Deputy Reantaso initiate radio traffic, advising of a "417." Deputy Clark recognized the code to mean there was a person with either a gun or knife. He arrived at the front entrance doors approximately 10 to 15 seconds later.

Prior to exiting the building, Deputy Clark saw Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian had their guns pointed to their front, slightly lowered. Deputy Clark could not see what they were reacting to, but he believed they may have been moving to their left in an attempt to have a better backdrop. In anticipation of a shots being fired, Deputy Clark took cover behind a wall, inside the building.

**IAB NOTE:** The front windows to the courthouse were tinted, and paper bulletins were posted on the glass doors, obstructing the view in and out of the courthouse.

While maintaining cover, Deputy Clark heard yelling. He did not know what was said, nor did he recognize the voice. Approximately five seconds later, Deputy Clark heard four gunshots. The gunshots were fired within approximately five seconds. Deputy Clark did not see who fired the shots, nor was he able to see who may have been struck by the gunfire. Approximately five to ten seconds later, Deputy Clark exited the building through the front entrance doors. He was approached by a female (Victim [REDACTED]) who was bleeding from her chest, right side, and hands. Deputy Clark escorted her to a nearby corner, where he told her to sit down.

Deputy Escalante exited the building and assisted him. Deputy Clark entered the building and asked for a first aid kit. Security Officer Franklin retrieved a first aid kit from the checkpoint area, and provided it to him. Deputy Clark went outside and gave gauze to Deputy Escalante. She applied the gauze on Victim [REDACTED]'s injuries and had her place pressure on the wounds.

While Deputies Clark and Escalante rendered aid to Victim [REDACTED] Deputy Clark heard Deputy Reantaso order Suspect Cueva to not move. Deputy Clark stood up and saw Suspect Cueva laying on the ground, face down. His head was pointing north and his feet were toward the front doors of the courthouse. Suspect Cueva did not say anything. There was a knife approximately two to three inches from Suspect Cueva's right hand. Deputy Clark asked Deputy Reantaso if he wanted him to move the knife. After affirmation from Deputy Reantaso, Deputy Clark kicked the knife approximately three feet away from Suspect Cueva. Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian continued to detain Suspect Cueva at gunpoint while standing approximately eight to ten feet away from Suspect Cueva.

Deputy Clark did not see anyone handcuff Suspect Cueva. He did not initiate radio traffic, but he heard someone request paramedics within approximately 30 seconds

after the incident. Within approximately 10 minutes, paramedics arrived and they transported Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva to the hospital.

Sergeant Metcalf asked Deputy Clark the extent of his involvement and directed him to go with Suspect Cueva in the ambulance. Prior to returning to the scene, a nurse provided him with a paper bag containing Suspect Cueva's property. Upon arrival at the scene, he provided it to a criminalist.

#### **Deputy Gregg Gossett**

On April 22, 2019, at approximately 1021 hours, IAB Sergeant Christopher Minott interviewed Deputy Gregg Gossett via telephone. Deputy Gossett retired from the Department on March 30, 2019. The telephonic interview was recorded with his consent. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Deputy Gossett was in the basement lock-up area of the courthouse when he heard radio traffic asking deputy personnel to respond to the front of the courthouse. Deputy Gossett arrived within a minute. Deputy Gossett saw Deputy Reantaso pointing his gun at a male (Suspect Cueva) as he was lying on the ground. Deputy Gossett was not sure, but believed Deputy Smith may have searched and handcuffed Suspect Cueva. Due to the time lapse of the incident, Deputy Gossett did not recall if he saw Suspect Cueva get handcuffed.

Deputy Gossett said he arrived after the incident occurred and was instructed to gather witnesses. After identifying witnesses, he escorted them to the jury assembly room, and remained with them until they were interviewed by Homicide Bureau detectives.

#### **Deputy James Smith**

On April 30, 2019, at approximately 0919 hours, IAB Sergeants Christopher Minott and Luan Dang interviewed Deputy Smith at the Internal Affairs Bureau. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Deputy Smith heard someone initiate radio traffic. The radio transmission was muffled, but Deputy Smith was able to understand it involved the checkpoint area of the courthouse. As Deputy Smith responded to checkpoint, he heard someone advise "417" via the radio (refer to **Deputy Smith's IAB interview transcript, page 4**).

Deputy Smith recognized the radio code to mean it involved a person with a gun. When he arrived to the checkpoint area, he saw a male (Suspect Cueva) lying on the ground. Prior to his arrival, Deputy Smith did not hear any gunshots. He did not observe any injuries, but believed Suspect Cueva was injured because Suspect Cueva was not getting up.

When Suspect Cueva appeared to reach for something, Deputy Smith, and other personnel at the scene ordered him to stop. Deputy Smith was approximately 20 feet away and could not see what Suspect Cueva reached for at the time, but he pointed his weapon at him as a safety precaution. Deputy Clark approached Suspect Cueva and kicked a knife away from Suspect Cueva's left side. Deputy [REDACTED] approached Suspect Cueva from the left side and grabbed both hands from behind, in an apparent effort to handcuff him. Deputy Smith could not recall how, but he saw Deputy Ramirez assist Deputy [REDACTED] handcuff Suspect Cueva.

When Deputy Smith took a position to the south, he noticed a female (Victim [REDACTED]) was by a corner, south of the front entrance doors. Deputy Smith removed gloves from his rear right pocket and tossed them to Deputy Escalante as she rendered aid to Victim [REDACTED]. Deputy Smith remained at the scene until the arrival of paramedics. He later assisted in escorting witnesses to the jury room.

Deputy Smith was advised of the Department's video admonishment. He was provided the opportunity to review the surveillance footage of the incident. After reviewing it, he clarified that he remembered the knife was kicked by Deputy Clark as he arrived at the scene.

**IAB NOTE:** On October 31, 2016, Deputy Smith interviewed a witness, [REDACTED] who provided a statement of his observations during incident. Mr. [REDACTED] advised he took a photograph and two videos with his cellular phone shortly after the incident [EXHIBIT A, page 13].

**IAB NOTE:** On April 9, 2019, IAB investigators sent [REDACTED] a certified letter, in an attempt to request an interview, and obtain the photograph and videos. On April 13, 2019, the certified letter [Miscellaneous Documents] was returned because he was not known at the location.

### **Sergeant Michael Metcalf**

On April 17, 2019, at approximately 1155 hours, IAB Sergeants Christopher Minott and Luan Dang interviewed Sergeant Metcalf at the Chatsworth Courthouse. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1200 hours, Sergeant Metcalf was inside his office when he heard radio traffic advising of a "417." Having recognized "417" to be the radio code for a person with a gun, Sergeant Metcalf exited his office and advised Lieutenant Lecrivain of the radio traffic. Sergeant Metcalf immediately responded to the front lobby.



As he responded, he heard one gunshot. Sergeant Metcalf believed the gunshot came from outside of the lobby area. Approximately five seconds after the initial radio traffic, he drew his weapon and exited the building. On the ground, was a male Hispanic (Suspect Cueva). Surrounding Suspect Cueva, were several deputies and a security officer. The personnel were detaining Suspect Cueva at gunpoint. A female (Victim [REDACTED]) was next to Suspect Cueva. Victim [REDACTED] was bleeding profusely near the area around her stomach. As Sergeant Metcalf assessed the situation, Deputy Escalante rendered aid to Victim [REDACTED].

While Suspect Cueva was on the ground, he appeared to reach toward a knife that was approximately three to four feet away from his left hand. Deputy Clark then kicked the knife away from Suspect Cueva. As Sergeant Metcalf continued to assess the situation and manage the scene, he recalled Suspect Cueva was handcuffed by Deputy Ramirez and an unknown male deputy.

Sergeant Metcalf obtained a public safety statement from Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian, prior to ensuring they were separated. Sergeant Metcalf also ensured the scene was secured and a command post was established.

Approximately 10 minutes after the incident, fire department personnel arrived and treated Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED]. He directed Deputy Clark to go with Suspect Cueva as he was transported to the hospital. Sergeant Metcalf remained at the scene until the conclusion of the incident, approximately 2100 hours.

#### **Lieutenant John Lecrivain**

On April 15, 2019, at approximately 1140 hours, IAB Sergeant Christopher Minott interviewed Lieutenant Lecrivain at the Community Partnerships Bureau. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1205 hours, Lieutenant Lecrivain was working as the operations lieutenant. While in his office, Sergeant Michael Metcalf asked him if he heard the last radio traffic. Lieutenant Lecrivain did not hear the radio traffic Sergeant Metcalf referred to, but they walked out of the office and responded to the front of the courthouse.

**IAB NOTE:** Chatsworth Courthouse used the Men's Central Jail (MCJ) radio frequency. It was a direct channel and did not record the radio transmission.

As Lieutenant Lecrivain responded, he heard four gunshots from outside of the building. Lieutenant Lecrivain exited through the southeast doors and saw Suspect Cueva on the ground. Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian detained Suspect Cueva at gunpoint and repeatedly ordered him to lie face down on the ground and not move. Suspect Cueva slowly rolled from side to side while on the ground. Within arm's reach

of Suspect Cueva (approximately six feet away) was a knife. An unknown Department member kicked the knife away from Suspect Cueva.

Lieutenant Lecrivain heard a female crying behind him. He turned around and saw Victim [REDACTED] was bleeding and against the side doors of the building. A female deputy was rendering aid to Victim [REDACTED].

Lieutenant Lecrivain switched his handheld radio to the SCC access channel and initiated emergent radio traffic. He advised of the shooting, provided the location, and requested the response of the Los Angeles City Fire Department and Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). In response to his advisement, several other units, including from Lost Hills Station, advised they were responding. Due to the extended response time, Lieutenant Lecrivain cancelled the response from Lost Hills Station units. Within minutes, the fire department and LAPD units arrived at the scene.

Lieutenant Lecrivain and Sergeant Metcalf managed the scene, and a command post was established. Lieutenant Jeff Adams was the district lieutenant for the area that included Chatsworth Courthouse. Lieutenant Adams was briefed by Lieutenant Lecrivain and Sergeant Metcalf when he arrived at the command post approximately 20 minutes after the incident.

Lieutenant Lecrivain ensured Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian were sequestered and did not communicate with each other after the incident. Sergeant Bernie Lopez remained with them in the operations office until they were interviewed by Homicide Bureau detectives.

### **CIVILIAN WITNESSES**

[REDACTED]

On October 31, 2016, Homicide Bureau Detectives Martinez and Brown interviewed Victim [REDACTED] at Northridge Hospital Medical Center. Homicide Bureau Detective Jose Espino, # [REDACTED] assisted with Spanish to English translation. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Victim [REDACTED] had been [REDACTED] to Suspect Cueva for 23 years and had [REDACTED] problems due to Suspect Cueva's verbal and physical abuse towards her. Victim [REDACTED] moved out of [REDACTED] apartment approximately three weeks prior to the incident, after Suspect Cueva wanted to hit her and told her to leave [REDACTED] residence. Victim [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] remained at the apartment with Suspect Cueva.

In an attempt to avoid Suspect Cueva, Victim [REDACTED] was temporarily living with different female friends. In the days leading to the incident, Suspect Cueva began stalking and trying to convince her to return [REDACTED].

Victim [REDACTED] had an outstanding ticket and had to pay the fine at Chatsworth Court. She agreed to meet Suspect Cueva at the location because she felt it was a safe location for them to discuss [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] arrangements for their impending [REDACTED]

As Victim [REDACTED] arrived, she noticed Suspect Cueva was sitting in his parked vehicle by the entrance to the parking lot. Victim [REDACTED] parked next to him and he entered her vehicle. When they approached the parking booth, Suspect Cueva retrieved a knife from his right side (NFD). The knife was concealed and wrapped with a cloth before he pulled it out. Victim [REDACTED] recognized the large kitchen knife as being from [REDACTED]

The [REDACTED] noticed Victim [REDACTED] was crying and asked if she was okay? Victim [REDACTED] told the [REDACTED] to help her because Suspect Cueva had a knife and was going to kill her.

Suspect Cueva placed the knife to Victim [REDACTED]'s throat and a struggle ensued. Victim [REDACTED] pushed the knife away with both hands to prevent Suspect Cueva from killing her. While they struggled in the vehicle, Suspect Cueva attempted to cut Victim [REDACTED]'s throat.

As the [REDACTED] screamed for help, Victim [REDACTED] managed to remove her seatbelt. Victim [REDACTED] ran toward the court entrance as Suspect Cueva followed her while holding the large knife in his hand. As Victim [REDACTED] approached the front of the court, she heard deputies order Suspect Cueva to drop the knife. Suspect Cueva continued to chase her and did not drop the knife until he was shot once by a Black deputy.

Victim [REDACTED] had trouble breathing due to the stab wounds and did not recall if there were additional shots or how many police officers were outside the court at the time of the shooting. Victim [REDACTED] did not recall if Suspect Cueva grabbed her from behind as she ran, but she believed he did not because he would have kept stabbing her. After Suspect Cueva was shot, Victim [REDACTED] sat on the ground near a glass window before a female came to help her.

Victim [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 32-35].

[REDACTED]

On November 2, 2019, at approximately 0940 hours, Homicide Bureau Detective Espino interviewed Witness [REDACTED] at the Chatsworth Courthouse parking lot. The interview was conducted in Spanish and audio recorded. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, [REDACTED] was working as a [REDACTED] at Chatsworth Courthouse, when Victim [REDACTED] drove to the location in a four door Audi. Sitting next to Victim [REDACTED] was a male, Suspect Cueva. Through the open driver's side window, Witness [REDACTED] noticed Victim [REDACTED] was crying, and appeared to be nervous. Witness [REDACTED] asked if she was okay, or needed help. Victim [REDACTED] told Witness [REDACTED] she needed help and asked him to call the police because Suspect Cueva had a knife. Surprised by Victim [REDACTED]'s response, Witness [REDACTED] leaned forward and asked Suspect Cueva if he was carrying a knife, but he did not respond.

Suspect Cueva reacted by grabbing Victim [REDACTED] by the hair with his left hand and told her to park. Witness [REDACTED] called the Sheriff's Department using his cellular phone and exited the [REDACTED]. Prior to the call connecting, Witness [REDACTED] approached the vehicle and noticed Suspect Cueva held a knife against Victim [REDACTED]'s throat. Victim [REDACTED] defended herself by pushing the knife away with both hands. Witness [REDACTED] yelled at Suspect Cueva to stop as Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva struggled in the vehicle.

Believing Suspect Cueva's intent was to kill Victim [REDACTED], Witness [REDACTED] opened to driver's side door. Witness [REDACTED] tried to assist Victim [REDACTED] exit the vehicle, but she was wearing the seatbelt. Witness [REDACTED] saw Suspect Cueva stab Victim [REDACTED] two times on her right side.

Witness [REDACTED] ran nearby as he yelled for someone to please call the Sheriff's Department for help. A nearby attorney took notice and Witness [REDACTED] returned to the vehicle to help Victim [REDACTED]. When Witness [REDACTED] attempted to remove the seatbelt from Victim [REDACTED], Suspect Cueva raised the knife as if he was prepared to stab him. Witness [REDACTED] saw the anger in Suspect Cueva's face and feared for his safety. Witness [REDACTED] backed away from the vehicle and continued to yell for help. Witness [REDACTED] noticed the attorney entered the courthouse and notified deputies.

Victim [REDACTED] exited the vehicle and ran to the courthouse as Suspect Cueva chased her while holding the knife over his head. Suspect Cueva was approximately ten yards behind Victim [REDACTED], but he was closing the distance. Suspect Cueva caught up to Victim [REDACTED] as she approached the entrance to the courthouse. He wrapped his left arm around Victim [REDACTED]'s neck while holding the knife in his right hand. Suspect Cueva attempted to stab Victim [REDACTED] in the stomach.

**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED] described the knife as a large kitchen knife, approximately ten inches, with a silver finish (refer to **Witness [REDACTED] Homicide Bureau interview transcript, pages 32-33**).

A security officer wearing a white shirt pointed his firearm at Suspect Cueva and ordered him to drop the knife. Suspect Cueva did not comply with the orders, and continued his assault towards Victim [REDACTED]. A deputy exited the courthouse from the right side and also ordered Victim [REDACTED] to drop the knife. After another deputy arrived, Victim [REDACTED] managed to push Suspect Cueva away from her, allowing the two

deputies wearing khaki colored shirts to shoot Suspect Cueva. After two gunshots, Suspect Cueva fell to the ground and dropped the knife a few feet away. Suspect Cueva attempted to get up and grab the knife. A deputy who was pointing his firearm at Suspect Cueva, kicked the knife away.

Deputy personnel tended to Victim [REDACTED] while Suspect Cueva remained on the ground. Additional deputies arrived and grabbed Suspect Cueva. Witness [REDACTED] was unsure if Suspect Cueva was handcuffed. Suspect Cueva appeared to no longer move while on the ground. Within a few minutes, paramedics arrived and transported Suspect Cueva away from the scene.

Witness [REDACTED] interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 51-35].

[REDACTED]

On November 2, 2016, at approximately 1250 hours, Homicide Bureau Detective Robert Kenney, # [REDACTED], interviewed Witness [REDACTED] at the Chatsworth Courthouse cafeteria. Witness [REDACTED] was working as an [REDACTED] at the courthouse the day of the incident. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, Witness [REDACTED] was exiting the courthouse along with Witnesses [REDACTED]. Witnesses [REDACTED] were ahead of him. As they exited the courthouse, Witness [REDACTED] heard the [REDACTED] screaming for someone to get the Sheriff's Department. The [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED] was standing near a black vehicle and a parking booth.

Witness [REDACTED] initially thought a fight took place, but then he saw Victim [REDACTED] exit the vehicle and run toward the courthouse. Suspect Cueva also exited the black vehicle and chased Victim [REDACTED]. Victim [REDACTED] was bleeding from a horizontal cut on her upper chest as she ran.

An Asian male deputy (Deputy Reantaso) exited the courthouse and joined a male security officer who was wearing a white shirt (Security Officer Fabian). Witness [REDACTED] saw two additional deputies in front of the courthouse.

Deputy Reantaso and Security Officer Fabian pointed their firearms at Suspect Cueva. Witness [REDACTED] did not see Suspect Cueva with a weapon. Suspect Cueva stopped approximately 10 to 20 feet away from the courthouse entrance door when deputies ordered Suspect Cueva to drop his weapon. Witness [REDACTED] heard "a couple" gunshots and Suspect Cueva fell to the ground and appeared to reach for a weapon (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, page 4).



**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED]'s view of Suspect Cueva's actions were obstructed by Victim [REDACTED] as she ran toward the front of the courthouse.

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 56-57].

[REDACTED]

On November 2, 2016, at approximately 1317 hours, Detective Kenney interviewed Witness [REDACTED] at the Chatsworth Courthouse cafeteria. Witness [REDACTED] was working as an [REDACTED] the day of the incident. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 12:00 pm, Witness [REDACTED] walked outside the courthouse and noticed a commotion near the parking lot kiosk booth. He recognized the [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] who was standing next to a black Audi and involved in an altercation with the occupant of the vehicle. The situation appeared to be escalating and Witness [REDACTED] asked for someone to notify the Sheriff's Department.

In response to the request, Witness [REDACTED] went back inside the courthouse and advised Department personnel about the situation that was occurring outside. The personnel did not immediately react to the situation and he went back outside. Witness [REDACTED] saw Suspect Cueva had a knife and asked someone to get a deputy. Due to Witness [REDACTED]'s very loud and panicked tone of voice, Witness [REDACTED] returned to the courthouse lobby and yelled for deputies to get their guns because someone was in imminent danger and requested personnel to respond outside. Again, Witness [REDACTED] did not see personnel respond to his request.

**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED] estimated he was inside the courthouse between 10 to 20 seconds each time he went inside to try to get deputy personnel (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, pages 3).

Witness [REDACTED] returned outside and saw Victim [REDACTED] stumble out of the driver's side of the vehicle. Victim [REDACTED] was apparently wounded, and hobbled as she ran toward the courthouse. Suspect Cueva also exited the vehicle through the driver's side and held a large knife above his head as he closely followed Victim [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] noticed Victim [REDACTED] was terrified and running for her life. Witness [REDACTED] said Suspect Cueva looked like a "rabid dog" with the intent to kill Victim [REDACTED] (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, pages 4-5).

As Suspect Cueva was about to grab Victim [REDACTED] while holding the knife in a striking motion, he was shot. After being shot, Suspect Cueva was still moving on the ground. Witness [REDACTED] believed that if Suspect Cueva could get up, he would continue with his

attempt to kill Victim [REDACTED]. Suspect Cueva was held down and handcuffed by deputies who were at the scene.

According to Witness [REDACTED], if deputies waited five more seconds, Suspect Cueva would have slit Victim [REDACTED]'s throat.

**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED] stated the incident happened very fast, and his recollection was "very hazy." Witness [REDACTED] was unable to provide additional details (refer to **Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, pages 3**).

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 57-58].

[REDACTED]

On November 2, 2016, at approximately 1317 hours, Detectives Kenney and Espino interviewed Witness [REDACTED] at Chatsworth Courthouse, Department F-43. Present during the interview were Internal Affairs Sergeant Anthony Easter, Deputy District Attorney Amy Pentz, and District Attorney Investigator [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] was working as an [REDACTED] the day of the incident. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Witness [REDACTED] exited the courthouse through the handicapped door with Witness [REDACTED] when he heard someone screaming in a loud distressed tone. Witness [REDACTED] initially believed someone was involved in a fight. Within seconds, he saw a male Hispanic (Witness [REDACTED]) standing by a black vehicle, near the parking booth. Witness [REDACTED] was screaming for help in Spanish, and looking back in the direction of the parked black vehicle. Upon a closer look, Witness [REDACTED] noticed a disturbance inside the vehicle and believed Witness [REDACTED] may have been involved in a fight with the occupant.

When Witness [REDACTED] returned to the vehicle, a female (Victim [REDACTED]) "rolled" out of the driver's side door, landing on her hands and knees (refer to **Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, page 11**). Witness [REDACTED] immediately recognized Victim [REDACTED] was in some sort of distress. A male Hispanic (Suspect Cueva) immediately exited the vehicle through the driver's side door. Suspect Cueva followed, and was approximately one or two feet behind Victim [REDACTED] as she ran toward the courthouse.

Witness [REDACTED] yelled at the courthouse security personnel to come outside and assist with the situation. Suspect Cueva continued to chase Victim [REDACTED] while holding a large knife in his hand. It was clear to Witness [REDACTED] that Suspect Cueva's intent was to stab Victim [REDACTED].

A security officer (Security Officer Fabian) exited the courthouse and appeared overwhelmed by the situation. Witness [REDACTED] told Security Officer Fabian to take out his firearm and point it at Suspect Cueva. Suspect Cueva was approximately eight feet away from Security Officer Fabian by the time he pointed his firearm at Suspect Cueva. Witness [REDACTED] immediately took cover behind a pillar, but was able to maintain a visual of the event.

As Suspect Cueva was about to catch up to Victim [REDACTED] she stepped to her left side. An Asian deputy (Deputy Reantaso) suddenly appeared and drew his gun. Witness [REDACTED] heard someone order Suspect Cueva to drop the knife. Suspect Cueva did not comply with the order, and seemed focused on attacking Victim [REDACTED]

Witness [REDACTED] maintained cover behind the pillar, and heard two to three gunshots. When Witness [REDACTED] looked around, he saw Suspect Cueva on the ground. Witness [REDACTED] did not see who fired the rounds, but he assumed it was Deputy Reantaso because he heard the shots come from the area where Deputy Reantaso was.

Witness [REDACTED] believed that if Deputy Reantaso had not reacted when Victim [REDACTED] moved, Victim [REDACTED] would have been killed.

After Suspect Cueva was on the ground, he was instructed by a deputy to enter the courthouse. Witness [REDACTED] did not see Suspect Cueva move, nor did he recall seeing Suspect Cueva get handcuffed.

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 39-40].

[REDACTED]

On November 2, 2019, at approximately 1020 hours, Detective Espino interviewed Witness [REDACTED]. The interview was conducted in Spanish and audio recorded. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, Witness [REDACTED] agreed to meet his girlfriend (Witness [REDACTED]) at court. He and his girlfriend were about to enter the courthouse, when he saw the [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]) standing by the parking booth, yelling for help and for someone to call the Sheriff's Department. Witness [REDACTED] wondered what was occurring, as Witness [REDACTED] continued yelling very loudly.

Witness [REDACTED] ran toward Witness [REDACTED] and from a distance of approximately six to seven feet, saw a female (Victim [REDACTED]) struggle with a male (Suspect Cueva) inside a black vehicle that was parked next to the parking booth. Victim [REDACTED] was in the driver's seat, and Suspect Cueva was on the passenger side. The front driver's side door was already open when he arrived. As he stood near the rear of the front driver's side door, Witness [REDACTED] saw Suspect Cueva held an approximately 10 inch knife in

his hand as he tried to stab Victim [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] panicked, and also began to yell for help, but nobody was responding.

Witness [REDACTED] noticed Victim [REDACTED] had a cut on her right cheek, and blood on her neck and blouse when Victim [REDACTED] exited the vehicle. Witness [REDACTED] ran toward the front of the courthouse when he saw Suspect Cueva exit the vehicle through the passenger's side door. Suspect Cueva held the knife above his head with his right hand as he chased Victim [REDACTED].

Suspect Cueva caught up to Victim [REDACTED]. Suspect Cueva grabbed Victim [REDACTED] by the neck and pulled back, causing her to fall to the ground as she ran near the steps of the courthouse. Suspect Cueva continued his attack on Victim [REDACTED] as he was on top of her with the knife in hand. Witness [REDACTED] told Suspect Cueva to let go of Victim [REDACTED] as he stabbed her approximately two to three times before Sheriff's Department personnel arrived.

One of the Sheriff's Department personnel wore a white shirt (Security Officer Fabian), and the two others wore khaki shirts. For approximately 30 seconds, they ordered Suspect Cueva to let go of Victim [REDACTED] and to drop the knife, but he did not comply. Witness [REDACTED] believed an Asian deputy (Deputy Reantaso) gave most of commands to let go of Victim [REDACTED]. After several orders, and while Suspect Cueva was on top of Victim [REDACTED], Deputy Reantaso shot Suspect Cueva twice. Suspect Cueva fell to the ground, and dropped the knife. Suspect Cueva did not attempt to get up as Victim [REDACTED] was on the ground, on her knees. Two male officers wearing white arrived and escorted Victim [REDACTED] to a corner, near the front door of the courthouse. Witness [REDACTED] was escorted inside the courthouse and he did not witness additional actions by the personnel at the scene.

**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED] was approximately six to seven feet away at the time (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, page 26).

**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED] had no doubt Suspect Cueva would have killed Victim [REDACTED] had he not been stopped (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, page 31).

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 54-55].

[REDACTED]

On November 2, 2019, at approximately 1130 hours, Detective Espino interviewed Witness [REDACTED]. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Witness [REDACTED] and her friend (Witness [REDACTED]) went to the courthouse to get an extension for her traffic ticket. As they were walking toward the front entrance, near the stairs, she heard the [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]) screaming very loudly for the Sheriff's Department because he needed help. Witness [REDACTED] saw a parked vehicle next to the parking toll booth with an open driver's side door window. Witness [REDACTED] appeared to be involved in a struggle with the occupant of the vehicle, as he reached through the driver's side window and screamed for help.

Upon noticing the struggle, Witness [REDACTED] ran to Witness [REDACTED] to try to help. All of sudden, Witness [REDACTED] saw the female (Victim [REDACTED]) and male (Suspect Cueva) occupant of the vehicle were running in her direction. Victim [REDACTED] was desperately running away from Suspect Cueva, who was visibly upset.

Suspect Cueva had what appeared to be either a knife or a gun in his hand. Out of fear Suspect Cueva may pull out a gun and shoot, Witness [REDACTED] ran inside the court in an attempt to seek for a place to hide. While inside the courthouse, Witness [REDACTED] heard three to four gunshots. When Witness [REDACTED] turned around, she saw three deputies and a security officer while Suspect Cueva was on the ground. Witness [REDACTED] saw deputies struggle with Suspect Cueva on the ground shortly after the incident.

Witness [REDACTED] also remembered Victim [REDACTED] was by a corner with blood on her face, and touching one of her sides in apparent pain. Victim [REDACTED] was receiving first aid from paramedics or someone else at the scene.

Due to the muffled sounds of the closed doors, Witness [REDACTED] was unable to hear if any commands were given to Suspect Cueva prior to the shooting.

**IAB NOTE:** On April 11, 2019, IAB investigators sent Witness [REDACTED] a certified letter, requesting an interview to obtain additional information. The certified letter **[Miscellaneous Documents]** was delivered on April 13, 2019; however, she did not contact IAB investigators.

Witness [REDACTED] interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators **[EXHIBIT A, pages 55-56]**.

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1716 hours, Detectives Espino and Kenney interviewed Witness [REDACTED] in Department F-43 of Chatsworth Courthouse. Present during interview were Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney Amy Pentz, Los Angeles County District Attorney Investigator [REDACTED] and Internal Affairs Sergeants Anthony Easter and Paul Valle. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

As Witness [REDACTED] walked through the parking lot, she heard screaming. She looked in the area and saw someone screaming by the courthouse. Witness [REDACTED] looked near the parking booth and noticed a male was also screaming. Witness [REDACTED] could not understand what the people were screaming.

Witness [REDACTED] suddenly saw a female wearing a pink top (Victim [REDACTED]) run away from the parking booth, towards the front door of the courthouse. As Victim [REDACTED] approached the courthouse, there were four or five deputies, and a security officer wearing a white shirt, who came outside. Witness [REDACTED] believed the deputies and security officer had their guns unholstered as Victim [REDACTED] ran.

Witness [REDACTED] noticed a male (Suspect Cueva) was chasing Victim [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] did not know if Suspect Cueva had a weapon. The personnel on scene began yelling at Suspect Cueva. Witness [REDACTED] was unable to understand what was said.

When Victim [REDACTED] was close to the front entrance door, someone grabbed her. Suspect Cueva was approximately six feet behind Victim [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] believes someone told Suspect Cueva to "get down" prior to the first gunshot. Suspect Cueva fell to the ground and moved his arms, as if attempting to get up. Witness [REDACTED] heard an additional two to three gunshots. Deputies told Suspect Cueva something as he was on the ground, but due to the distance, Witness [REDACTED] did not know what was said.

Witness [REDACTED] returned to her vehicle and remained there until she was later contacted by a deputy who asked if she witnessed the incident.

**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED] was unable to calculate the distance from where she witnessed the shooting (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, page 20).

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 40-41].

[REDACTED]

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1750 hours, Detectives Espino and Kenney interviewed Witness [REDACTED] in Department F-43 of Chatsworth Courthouse. Present during interview were Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney Amy Pentz, Los Angeles County District Attorney Investigator [REDACTED] and Internal Affairs Sergeant Anthony Easter. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Witness [REDACTED] is a [REDACTED]. On the day of the incident, she approached the parking booth on Penfield Avenue. She saw a black Audi parked directly in front of her vehicle. Approximately 30



seconds later, the [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]) yelled, "Hey Stop. No. No." (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview, page 4).

Witness [REDACTED] noticed a commotion inside the vehicle. She initially thought an animal was attacking someone, but then saw Witness [REDACTED] wave his arms as he yelled for help from deputy personnel. At approximately 1211 hours, she called 9-1-1 as she provided the black Audi's vehicle license plate number.

Witness [REDACTED] began to make a U-turn to drive away from the location, and saw a female (Victim [REDACTED]) open the driver's side door. Victim [REDACTED] slid out of the driver's seat and onto the ground, on her buttocks. Victim [REDACTED] was hysterical and appeared to be crying while running away from the vehicle, towards the courthouse. A male (Suspect Cueva) opened the passenger's side door, ran around the rear of the vehicle, and immediately chased Victim [REDACTED]. Suspect Cueva ran next to Witness [REDACTED]'s vehicle while holding a large silver knife that was approximately 10 inches long, in his right hand. Suspect Cueva had a "purposeful" look in his face and on a "mission" to continue his attack (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview, page 15).

As Witness [REDACTED] was about to complete the U-turn, she saw Suspect Cueva near the front of the courthouse. Witness [REDACTED] did not hear any yelling or commands from personnel, but she heard three gunshots as she drove south on Penfield Avenue

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 42-43].

[REDACTED]

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1817 hours, Detectives Kenney and Espino interviewed Witness [REDACTED] in Department F-43 of Chatsworth Courthouse. Present during interview were Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney Amy Pentz, Los Angeles County District Attorney Investigator [REDACTED], and Internal Affairs Sergeants Anthony Easter and Paul Valle. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Witness [REDACTED] worked at [REDACTED]. While [REDACTED] on the first floor, she heard very loud yelling or screaming. She looked outside and saw a female (Victim [REDACTED]) wearing a red blouse running from the parking lot toll booth, towards the front of the courthouse. Victim [REDACTED] was being chased by a male (Suspect Cueva). Witness [REDACTED] heard screams, but she did not know where they were coming from. She then saw the [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED] was also running behind them from a distance. Suspect Cueva caught up to Victim [REDACTED] near the front entrance pillars of the courthouse. Suspect Cueva wrapped his right arm around Victim [REDACTED]'s neck and held on to her shoulder. Witness [REDACTED] did not see a weapon in Suspect Cueva's hands.

A security officer wearing a white shirt (Security Officer Fabian) exited the building and held them at gunpoint. Security Officer Fabian swayed his body from side to side, as if he was trying to get a better angle. She then saw a deputy who she believed was named Reynoso (Deputy Reantaso) exit the building from the opposite side of where Security Officer Fabian was. Deputy Reantaso held the couple at gunpoint. Witness [REDACTED] did not know if any orders were given, but she saw Deputy Reantaso shoot at Suspect Cueva two times. Although Witness [REDACTED] saw the shooting, she did not see Suspect Cueva fall to the ground. Witness [REDACTED]'s supervisor then instructed everyone to get down on the floor. Moments later, Witness [REDACTED] saw Victim [REDACTED] was on the side of the courthouse with a deputy.

**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED] was approximately 35 yards away at the time of the shooting.

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 43-44].

[REDACTED]

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1837 hours, Detectives Kenney and Espino interviewed Witness [REDACTED] in Department F-43 of Chatsworth Courthouse. Present during interview were Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney Amy Pentz, Los Angeles County District Attorney Investigator [REDACTED] and Internal Affairs Sergeants Anthony Easter and Paul Valle. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Witness [REDACTED] worked at [REDACTED]. She was sitting at [REDACTED] when she was contacted by a [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]) and advised there was a commotion outside. Witness [REDACTED] went to where Witness [REDACTED] was and looked outside through the window. Witness [REDACTED] saw a male (Suspect Cueva) chasing a female (Victim [REDACTED]). They were running towards the courthouse from the parking lot booth area. Victim [REDACTED] was approximately five steps ahead of Suspect Cueva and they were at the top platform area of the courtyard, near the entrance to the courthouse.

Suspect Cueva looked like he was "eager" to catch up to Victim [REDACTED] and prevent her from entering the courthouse (refer to **Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau transcript, page 7**). Suspect Cueva stretched his arm out and caught up to Victim [REDACTED]. He appeared to have something held against Victim [REDACTED]'s back. Witness [REDACTED] did not know if Suspect Cueva had an object in his hand.

A deputy, a possible Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) officer, and another person were in a triangular position, pointing their guns, as they surrounded Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] heard yelling, but she was unable to understand what was said, due to the muffled sounds of the glass windows. Witness [REDACTED]

██████████ believed Suspect Cueva had a gun (refer to Witness ██████████'s Homicide Bureau transcript, page 10).

It appeared the deputy ordered Suspect Cueva to do something. Suspect Cueva responded by wrapping his arm around Victim ██████████'s neck. Victim ██████████ looked like she was in fear. The incident appeared to turn into a "hostage" situation (refer to Witness ██████████'s Homicide Bureau transcript, page 11).

Witness ██████████ heard one gunshot, followed by another gun shot. Witness ██████████ said there was a commotion after the second shot. She was not sure if Suspect Cueva and Victim ██████████ were both hit because she saw Victim ██████████ either run away or fall. At the time of the shooting, the deputy was standing approximately 15 feet in front of Suspect Cueva.

Witness ██████████'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 44-46].

On November 2, 2016, at approximately 0857 hours, Detective Espino interviewed Witness ██████████ in an interview room at the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) – West Valley Station. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Witness ██████████ parked her vehicle on the street. As Witness ██████████ walked, she noticed the ██████████ (Witness ██████████ had his upper body inside the open door of a black Audi, next to the parking booth. Simultaneously, Witness ██████████ heard a female screaming loudly. It appeared Witness ██████████ attempted to pull something out of the vehicle. Witness ██████████ then heard a male screaming louder than the female.

Believing Witness ██████████ needed help, Witness ██████████ ran toward the vehicle and noticed there was another male inside. When Witness ██████████ arrived at the south end of the courthouse, she heard the combination of a male and female screaming. Witness ██████████ stopped running when a female (Victim ██████████) suddenly exited the vehicle and ran away. Victim ██████████ screamed "No! No!" as she ran "full speed" towards the courthouse (refer to Witness ██████████'s Homicide Bureau interview, page 9).

Witness ██████████ focused her attention on Victim ██████████, but when she looked to her right, she saw a male (Suspect Cueva) chase Victim ██████████ approximately 10 feet behind her. Suspect Cueva had what appeared to be a knife in his hand, raised above his head. Witness ██████████ did not recall in which hand Suspect Cueva held the knife. Suspect Cueva ran quickly and took large strides over the steps in an apparent attempt to catch up to Victim ██████████.

Witness [REDACTED] was standing approximately 10 feet behind some bushes, and momentarily lost sight of Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva when they reached the courtyard area. Witness [REDACTED] heard someone say "drop it" and then two consecutive gunshots. Witness [REDACTED] immediately ducked down. She was unable to see who fired the shots or gave the commands.

Moments later, Witness [REDACTED] walked closer to the front of the courthouse and saw Suspect Cueva on the ground. Deputies held Suspect Cueva at gunpoint as he moved sideways, unsuccessfully attempting to get up. A deputy (described as a White male with a bald head) instructed a female deputy to handcuff Suspect Cueva.

Witness [REDACTED] took photographs with her cellular phone and walked across the street before personnel secured the crime scene. Witness [REDACTED] took additional photographs with her cell phone from across the street.

**IAB NOTE:** Witness [REDACTED] later emailed the photographs [EXHIBIT C, folder 4] to Detective Espino.

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 50-51].

[REDACTED]

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1741 hours, Detectives Kenney and Espino interview Witness [REDACTED] in Department F-43 of Chatsworth Courthouse. Present during interview were Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney Amy Pentz, Los Angeles County District Attorney Investigator [REDACTED] and Internal Affairs Sergeants Anthony Easter and Paul Valle. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Witness [REDACTED] worked at [REDACTED] department. Witness [REDACTED] was sitting at the filing window [REDACTED] when she heard a loud voice coming from the lobby area. From where she was sitting, Witness [REDACTED] saw a male talking loud as he walked towards the exit of the of the building. Witness [REDACTED] could not understand what the person said.

As Witness [REDACTED] continued [REDACTED], she looked outside through the same window, and saw a security officer wearing a white shirt (Security Officer Fabian). Witness [REDACTED] saw Security Officer Fabian move to the side (as if he was trying to get a better angle) prior to hearing a gunshot. Witness [REDACTED] immediately ducked down and heard two additional gunshots approximately two to three seconds later. Witness [REDACTED] did not see any of the events that followed the incident because she crawled to her [REDACTED] and remained there with other employees.

Witness [REDACTED] interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 41-42].

[REDACTED]

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1554 hours, Detectives Kenny and Espino interviewed Witness [REDACTED] in Department F-43 of Chatsworth Courthouse. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

Witness [REDACTED] was inside the courthouse with his girlfriend (Witness [REDACTED]) on the second floor. As he waited in the hallway, Witness [REDACTED] heard someone yell that there was a person with a knife outside. From where Witness [REDACTED] was seated, he was able to view outside and the front courtyard of the courthouse.

After hearing the statement a second time, Witness [REDACTED] stood up and saw a deputy outside. Witness [REDACTED] saw a male running away from the parking booth area. Moments later, Witness [REDACTED] saw a female Hispanic (Victim [REDACTED]) being chased by male Hispanic (Suspect Cueva). Suspect Cueva had a large silver knife in his hand and was approximately five to eight feet behind Victim [REDACTED]. From Witness [REDACTED]'s position, he was unable to tell if Victim [REDACTED] was injured, or if she was screaming.

Suspect Cueva quickly closed the distance, and caught up to Victim [REDACTED]. Witness [REDACTED] was not sure, but he believed Suspect Cueva had the knife (approximately 10 to 12 inches long) in his left hand. As Suspect Cueva attempted to wrap his arm around Victim [REDACTED] and stab her, he heard two to three gunshots. Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED] both fell on the ground after the gunshots.

At the time of the incident, Witness [REDACTED] saw a deputy (Deputy Reantaso) draw his weapon as he stood west of Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva as they ran towards the courthouse. Witness [REDACTED] was not sure, but he estimated Deputy Reantaso was approximately five yards away from Suspect Cueva when he heard gunshots. Witness [REDACTED] said the incident happened fast and he did not hear the deputy say anything (refer to Witness [REDACTED]'s Homicide Bureau interview transcript, page 15).

After the shooting, a male wearing a white shirt arrived and looked like he pointed his gun at Suspect Cueva. Witness [REDACTED] did not see anything else.

Witness [REDACTED]'s interview was summarized by Homicide Bureau investigators [EXHIBIT A, pages 37-39].

**IAB NOTE:** [REDACTED] was with Witness [REDACTED] at the time of the incident. She did not witness the events and her statement to Homicide Bureau detectives was not transcribed.

[REDACTED]

On April 29, 2019, at approximately 1218 hours, IAB Sergeants Christopher Minott conducted a telephonic interview with Witness [REDACTED]. The interview was recorded with his consent. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, Witness [REDACTED] was about to exit the courthouse through the front lobby doors with another [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]). Witness [REDACTED] believed Witness [REDACTED] ran inside the building and advised security personnel that a woman and the [REDACTED] needed help outside. According to Witness [REDACTED] the security personnel did not react to the notice.

Witness [REDACTED] looked through the lobby door windows and saw a female (Victim [REDACTED]) running toward the front entrance doors of the courthouse. She was being chased by a male (Suspect Cueva) who held an approximately six to ten inch kitchen knife in his right hand. Witness [REDACTED] did not see where Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED] came from, but he believed they may have been running from the area where the [REDACTED] was.

Victim [REDACTED] was bleeding from the chest as she ran away from Suspect Cueva, who did not have any visible injuries. As they continued to run toward the courthouse, a male Asian deputy (Deputy Reantaso) emerged from the right side. Deputy Reantaso pointed his gun at Suspect Cueva. Although Witness [REDACTED] did not hear what was said, he believed Deputy Reantaso ordered Suspect Cueva to drop the knife.

As Suspect Cueva attempted to catch up to Victim [REDACTED] and ignored Deputy Reantaso's orders, Deputy Reantaso fired his weapon at Suspect Cueva. It was Witness [REDACTED]'s belief that Suspect Cueva's intent was to stab Victim [REDACTED] even if he was shot (refer to **Witness [REDACTED]'s IAB interview transcript, page 4**).

After being shot, Victim [REDACTED] fell to the ground, either on his side or back. While on the ground, Suspect Cueva attempted to grab the knife that was approximately two feet away from his right hand. Witness [REDACTED] could not recall specific details, but he did suspect Cueva may have been shot after he was on the ground. Victim [REDACTED] recalled hearing between two to four gunshots during the incident.

Witness [REDACTED] was unsure, but he believed Suspect Cueva may have caught up to Victim [REDACTED]. He was also unsure if Deputy Reantaso was the only person who shot Suspect Cueva. Witness [REDACTED] believed another deputy was at the scene pointing his weapon at Suspect Cueva, but he did not know if he fired any shots. Witness [REDACTED] did not recall if Suspect Cueva was handcuffed after the incident.

Prior to the arrival of paramedics, personnel at the scene rendered aid to Victim [REDACTED]. When paramedics arrived, they treated Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED] before subsequently transporting Suspect Cueva away from the scene.

At the conclusion of the incident Witness [REDACTED] waited in the cafeteria to speak with investigators, but voluntarily left without providing a statement.

### **INVOLVED EMPLOYEES**

#### **Deputy Rizaldy Reantaso**

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1700 hours, Homicide Bureau Detectives Eddie Brown and Antoinette Martinez interviewed Deputy Reantaso at Chatsworth Courthouse. The interview was recorded and transcribed. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription.

On April 30, 2019, at approximately 1029 hours, IAB Sergeants Christopher Minott and Luan Dang interviewed Deputy Reantaso at the Internal Affairs Bureau. Deputy Reantaso was represented by Attorney Susan Jerich from the Rains, Lucia, Stern, St. Phalle & Silver Law Firm. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of both interviews:

On October 31, 2016, Deputy Reantaso was inside his office, which was located in the northeast portion of the courthouse. His office had windows that provided a view of the front court entrance and security area. Shortly after 1200 hours, he heard "frantic" radio traffic. Although he could not understand what was said, he recognized the voice to be Security Officer Dewayne Franklin (refer to **Deputy Reantaso's Homicide Bureau interview transcript, page 3**).

Via his radio, Deputy Reantaso asked Security Officer Franklin for additional information. Before getting a response, Deputy Reantaso immediately ran out of his office and responded to the checkpoint area, approximately 15 feet away. Upon exiting his office, Deputy Reantaso saw people looking outside in the direction of the parking lot.

Deputy Reantaso exited the building through the front lobby doors, and from a distance of approximately 40 feet, saw a black vehicle parked in front of the parking booth. He noticed a female's body (Victim [REDACTED]) was halfway inside the vehicle, with her legs extended out of the open driver's side door. His view of the vehicle was partially obstructed by the parking booth.

Deputy Reantaso recognized the [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]), who ran south, away from the vehicle. Witness [REDACTED] yelled and pointed at the vehicle, in an apparent attempt to gain the attention of people who were in the area. Deputy Reantaso believed a fight may have been taking place. Deputy Reantaso saw Victim [REDACTED] run away from the driver's side door, and toward the courthouse. She was immediately followed by a male (Suspect Cueva). Deputy Reantaso did not see from which side of the vehicle Suspect Cueva exited.

As Victim [REDACTED] ran toward the front of the courthouse, she was screaming and had the look of "terror" in her face (refer to **Deputy Reantaso's IAB interview, page 13**). Deputy Reantaso noticed Suspect Cueva held an approximately 12 inch long metal knife in his right hand as he chased Victim [REDACTED]. Deputy Reantaso loudly ordered Suspect Cueva several times to drop the knife. Suspect Cueva ignored the commands and caught up to Victim [REDACTED] at the landing of the steps, leading to the front courtyard.

From behind, Suspect Cueva wrapped his left arm around Victim [REDACTED]'s neck, and stabbed Victim [REDACTED] in the upper torso as he moved his right hand in a downward motion. Deputy Reantaso saw what appeared to be blood on Victim [REDACTED]'s upper torso. Believing Suspect Cueva was going to kill Victim [REDACTED] if he continued his assault, Deputy Reantaso fired one shot from his duty weapon.

Deputy Reantaso was standing to the north of Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED] at the time. He was approximately 15 feet away and aimed at Suspect Cueva's head and upper shoulder area, as that was the exposed area. After the first shot, Deputy Reantaso noticed Suspect Cueva exhibited a "jerking motion" as the momentum carried Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED] forward, past him (refer to **Deputy Reantaso's IAB interview transcript, page 17**).

Within seconds, Deputy Reantaso noticed Security Officer Fabian was standing on the right when he heard a gunshot as Victim [REDACTED] and Suspect Cueva moved forward. Deputy Reantaso believed Security Officer Fabian fired the second shot. Deputy Reantaso was now able to get a better view of Suspect Cueva's side and back area as he continued a downward stabbing motion. In an effort to stop Suspect Cueva's continued effort to stab Victim [REDACTED], he fired two additional shots, causing Suspect Cueva to stop his assault. Suspect Cueva dropped the knife and fell on the ground, face down. Victim [REDACTED] also fell to the ground after the second volley of shots. Deputy Reantaso assisted Victim [REDACTED] in getting her away from Suspect Cueva. She was then escorted to a corner by the front entrance doors by other deputies who were now at the scene.

As Suspect Cueva was on the ground, he attempted to reach for a knife that was on his right side. Believing Suspect Cueva was attempting to arm himself with the knife, Deputy Reantaso kicked it away. Deputy [REDACTED] approached Suspect Cueva and attempted to handcuff him. Deputy Reantaso told other personnel who were now at the scene to assist Deputy [REDACTED]. Deputy Ramirez assisted in handcuffing Suspect Cueva behind his back.

Lieutenant Lecrivain responded to the scene and requested paramedics to respond. He later obtained a public safety statement from Deputy Reantaso, prior to being removed from the scene.

**IAB NOTE:** Deputy Reantaso recalled initiating radio traffic on the MCJ radio frequency when he initially saw Suspect Cueva running after Victim [REDACTED]



██████████ He believed he may have advised of a 417, but meant to advise of a 417A, which is the radio code for a person with knife.

**IAB NOTE:** Deputy Reantaso also recalled requesting paramedics after he fired the second volley of shots.

Deputy Reantaso was advised of the Department's video admonishment. He was provided the opportunity to view the surveillance footage of the incident. After having viewed the video, he clarified the knife was kicked by Deputy Clark initially, prior to Deputy Reantaso kicking it a second time.

### **Security Officer Gerardo Fabian**

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1750 hours, Homicide Bureau Detectives Eddie Brown and Antoinette Martinez interviewed Security Officer Fabian at Chatsworth Courthouse. Present during the interview was Security Officer Fabian's attorney, Emily Suhr, of the Green and Shinee Law Firm. The interview was recorded and transcribed. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription.

On May 2, 2019, at approximately 1208 hours, IAB Sergeants Christopher Minott and ██████████ interviewed Security Officer Fabian at the Internal Affairs Bureau. Security Officer Fabian was represented by Attorney Elizabeth Gibbons of The Gibbons Firm. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of both interviews:

On October 31, 2016, Security Officer Fabian was assigned to work the weapons screening area, which is approximately 10 feet away from the entrance doors to the courthouse. At approximately 1200 hours, several people ran into the courthouse and advised him that someone needed help outside. Security Officer Fabian was not provided with additional information as to what occurred outside. While inside the building, Security Officer Fabian saw people fighting by the parking booth. Security Officer Fabian decided to wait for someone to arrive and assist him in assessing the situation. Within seconds, Deputy Reantaso arrived and they exited the courthouse.

As Security Officer Fabian stood outside, he noticed a female (Victim ██████████) was in the driver's side of a black vehicle, next to the parking booth. Security Officer Fabian also saw a male (Witness ██████████), which he believed to be a ██████████ standing by the driver's side, trying to open the door. Suddenly, the female (Victim ██████████) exited the vehicle from the driver's side door and ran toward the front of the courthouse. Within seconds, a male (Suspect Cueva) exited from the passenger side of the vehicle and immediately chased Victim ██████████

Security Officer Fabian noticed Victim ██████████ was bleeding from her upper torso as she yelled and continued to run toward the courthouse. Suspect Cueva held a large silver

or chrome knife in his right hand, and was approximately four feet behind Victim [REDACTED]. Suspect Cueva had a "mean" look on his face (refer to **Security Officer Fabian's IAB interview, page 11**). Believing Suspect Cueva's intent was to kill Victim [REDACTED], Security Officer Fabian ordered Suspect Cueva several times to drop the knife. Suspect Cueva made eye contact with Security Officer Fabian, but did not comply with the orders as he continued to chase Victim [REDACTED].

Suspect Cueva caught up to Victim [REDACTED] by the steps to the courtyard. From behind, Suspect Cueva wrapped his left arm around Victim [REDACTED]'s neck and stabbed Victim [REDACTED]'s arms. Security Officer Fabian was standing approximately 10 feet away from Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED] as they ran directly toward him. As the distance between them closed, Security Officer Fabian pointed his gun at Suspect Cueva.

Deputy Reantaso approached from the north side and fired two shots at Suspect Cueva. Security Officer Fabian believed Suspect Cueva was struck by the rounds because of Suspect Cueva's sudden body movement. After Deputy Reantaso fired at Suspect Cueva, Victim [REDACTED] was able to slightly separate herself from Suspect Cueva. Due to the separation between Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED], Security Officer Fabian had a clear view of Suspect Cueva's right side and stomach. Believing Suspect Cueva was trying to kill Victim [REDACTED], Security Officer Fabian fired one round in the direction of Suspect Cueva's right side and stomach area, striking him. Security Officer Fabian was approximately five feet away from Suspect Cueva when he fired the shot.

Suspect Cueva continued chasing Victim [REDACTED] and grabbed her. As they passed Security Officer Fabian, Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED] fell to the ground. As Suspect Cueva fell, the knife landed on the ground, within a few inches of his head. Victim [REDACTED] stood up and ran toward a corner, south of the front entrance doors.

As Suspect Cueva was on the ground, he attempted to sit up and reach for the knife. Security Officer Fabian ordered Suspect Cueva to not move. Deputy Reantaso approached Suspect Cueva and kicked the knife approximately five feet away.

Security Officer Fabian recalled a female deputy (Deputy Ramirez) and a male deputy grabbed Suspect Cueva's hands and handcuffed him. Security Officer Fabian did not recall who placed the handcuffs on Suspect Cueva, but he said Suspect Cueva was cooperative during the process (refer to **Security Officer Fabian's IAB interview transcript, page 29**).

After Suspect Cueva was handcuffed, the deputies who handcuffed him assessed his injuries. Security Officer Fabian also saw a female deputy render aid to Victim [REDACTED].

At the conclusion of the incident, Security Officer Fabian was escorted away from the scene and allowed to remain in a room with a sergeant.

Security Officer Fabian was advised of the Department's video admonishment. He was provided the opportunity to review the surveillance video of the incident. After reviewing

it, he clarified Deputy Reantaso was on the north side during the incident. He also added that during his initial assessment of the disturbance by the vehicle, he recognized the male (Witness [REDACTED]) who was attempting to help Victim [REDACTED] as a parking attendant because of the blue shirt he was wearing a blue shirt.

**Deputy [REDACTED]**

On April 18, 2019, at approximately 0959 hours, IAB Sergeant Christopher Minott interviewed Deputy [REDACTED] at Chatsworth Courthouse. For a complete statement, additional information, and precise wording, see attached verbatim interview transcription. The following is a summary of the interview:

On October 31, 2016, at approximately 1210 hours, Deputy [REDACTED] observed a black Audi speeding north through Penfield Avenue. Deputy [REDACTED] did not see the occupants of the vehicle, but due to the erratic driving, he believed he initiated radio traffic to advise court personnel. Deputy [REDACTED] responded to the front entrance to check for the vehicle. As he responded, he heard radio traffic advising there was a "417A." Within seconds he heard Deputy Reantaso advising of a "998" (refer to Deputy [REDACTED]'s IAB interview transcript, page 8).

**IAB NOTE:** 417A is the Sheriff's Department radio code for a person with a knife. Radio code 998 is used to advise of a deputy-involved shooting.

**IAB NOTE:** All the radio traffic Deputy [REDACTED] initiated and heard during the incident was on the Men's Central Jail frequency.

Deputy [REDACTED] immediately ran to the front entrance of the courthouse. As he responded, he did not hear gunshots. Upon arriving at the lobby, near the entrance, he saw several people running inside, away from the front entrance of the courthouse. Approximately five seconds after hearing the deputy-involved shooting radio traffic, Deputy [REDACTED] arrived at the entrance doors.

As he stood inside, he saw Suspect Cueva on the ground. Suspect Cueva was on his back, with his both hands above his head. Security Officer Fabian stood approximately 15 to 20 feet west of Suspect Cueva with his firearm pointed at Suspect Cueva. Deputy Reantaso stood closer to the front doors, approximately 10 to 20 feet away from Suspect Cueva. Deputy Reantaso also detained Suspect Cueva at gunpoint. Deputy [REDACTED] was not sure who gave orders, but heard someone tell Suspect Cueva to stay down or not move. A female (Victim [REDACTED]) wearing a light colored shirt with blood stains, was sitting on the ground approximately five feet away from Suspect Cueva.

While assessing the situation, Deputy [REDACTED] asked Deputy Reantaso if there were other suspects and he said no. As Suspect Cueva remained on the ground, Deputy [REDACTED] saw a knife was approximately five feet to the east of Suspect Cueva. Suspect Cueva began rolling on his left side, toward the knife.

Believing Suspect Cueva was going to arm himself with the knife, or attempt to escape, Deputy [REDACTED] approached Suspect Cueva to handcuff him. When Deputy [REDACTED] approached, Suspect Cueva attempted to reach for Deputy [REDACTED]'s weapon, which he held in his hand. During Deputy [REDACTED]'s approach, Deputy Reantaso got close to Suspect Cueva and kicked the knife approximately 20 to 30 feet away.

Deputy [REDACTED] grabbed Suspect Cueva by the right shoulder and held him down. Suspect Cueva attempted to lift his shoulders off the ground as Deputy [REDACTED] continued to hold him against the ground. Deputy [REDACTED] held Suspect Cueva by the arms. Suspect Cueva's arms were "locked" and he did not allow Deputy [REDACTED] to place his hands behind his back (refer to Deputy [REDACTED]'s IAB interview transcript, page 16).

Deputy [REDACTED] had difficulty controlling Suspect Cueva's arms and retrieving his handcuffs at the same time. Deputy [REDACTED] ordered Suspect Cueva to stop resisting, and called for another deputy to assist him. As Deputy [REDACTED] held Suspect Cueva's right wrist, Deputy Ramirez assisted by handcuffing Suspect Cueva's right hand. Deputy [REDACTED] grabbed Suspect Cueva's left hand and placed it behind his back. Deputy Ramirez assisted in handcuffing Suspect Cueva. While handcuffing Suspect Cueva, an expended projectile fell from the back side of Suspect Cueva onto the ground.

Deputy [REDACTED] remained by Suspect Cueva's chest and Deputy Ramirez was by his feet as they monitored Suspect Cueva. Deputy [REDACTED] requested paramedics using his handheld radio and directed other personnel to secure the scene and contact witnesses. Approximately 10 minutes later, fire department personnel arrived and treated Suspect Cueva and Victim [REDACTED]. They were both transported to the hospital for further treatment.

Deputy [REDACTED] reported his use of force and actions to Sergeant Metcalf.